

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraphs 12 and 13 with the following:

--Figure 5 is a diagram of an illumination system having extra connecting light pipes added to the input side of the system according to another embodiment of the present invention;

Figure 6 is a diagram of a lamp illumination system without input light pipes according to another embodiment of the present invention; and

Figure 7A-7D are diagrams of an illumination system with five triangular light pipes, five four faced prisms and a five sided output pipe according to another embodiment of the present invention.--

Please replace paragraph 26 with the following:

--The present invention can be applied to other polygonal input and output light pipes. For example, the input face of a triangular output light pipe can be divided into three input portions and a four-faced prism 114 (Fig. 7C) can be used to reflect light from a triangular input light pipe 110 (Fig. 7D) to the output light pipe 112. As shown in Figs. 7A-B, a 5-sided output light pipe 112 can also be implemented by arranging five four-faced prisms 114 with five triangular input light pipes 110. Other polygonal output light pipes can be implemented in a similar fashion.--